

Stafford County Public Schools
Special Education Advisory Committee

April 3, 2006

Attendance

Brian Alden
Tom Henion
Mark Howard
Shanon McQuown
Teresa O'Meara
Tom Quintero

Staff Attendance

Sue Clark
Barbara Platt
Dianne Hill

Meeting was called to order by Brian Alden at 7:00pm.

COMMENTS FROM PRC - Extra Mile awards and the Buddy Awards are ready for signature. Parent workshop has been cancelled. In May there will be a Make & Take Seminar which will focus on picture schedules. Seminar is opened to all special education student families. PRC selected topics for workshops based on the parent survey. Many of the conferences are canceled due to lack of interest. SEAC questioned whether or not childcare should be provided for workshops to encourage attendance.

COMMENTS FROM DRC - Kim Lett stated that they are receiving a lot of calls regarding IEPs. She stated that 45% of the children who are incarcerated have IEPs. TTAC is having a seminar regarding transition programs and will provide technical support to counties initiating their own transition programs. The key transition support is from high school to adult life. DRC is offering sign language classes.

COMMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

No comments were given. Staff announced the new supervisor of Middle School Special Education; Cathy Williams and Barbara Platt is the Supervisor of Compliance and Mandated Services.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Brian Alden announced the results of the Stafford Basketball Special Olympics teams, both placed and received medals.

ANNUAL PLAN

Sue Clark presented the annual plan and discussed its highlights. Sue highlighted the assurances pages that LRE and FAPE will be provided. Sue stated that the plan showed how the funds were spent for special education programs. The report states that it costs \$11,600 to educate an elementary special education student and \$13,000 for a secondary student with a total of \$25M for special education. There are 9 students who are educated outside of SCPS in private schools. Will be given to the school board on April 25, 2006

SEAC adjourned to subcommittees.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm. The next SEAC meeting will be held on May 1, 2006 at 7:00.